spending, after discounting income differences, in areas where discrimination is widely practiced. The condition was especially aggravated in the South and was attributed in the testimony of the Under Secretary of Commerce to racial segregation. See Hearings before Senate Committee on Commerce on S. 1732, 88th Cong., 1st Sess. 695. A direct link between discrimination and commerce was indicated in the reduction of the number of potential customers caused by a general refysal of Negro patronage, a reduction which, in turn, would reduce the quantity of goods purchased through interstate channels. Moreover, the Attorney General testified that this type of discrimination imposes an "artificial restriction on the market " and interefers with the flow of merchandise. Senate Commerce Hearings, at 18-19; testimony of Senator Magnuson, 110 Cong. Rec. 7174. Based on such evidence Congress could have taken note of the factthat under these conditions establishments not only would established restaurants sell less but many new businesses might not be opened be opened because of the restrictions on demand resulting from these exclusionary practices.

Viewed in isolation, the volume of food purchased by Ollie's Earbecue from out-of-state sources would have little effect upon the total foodstuff moving in

interstate commerce/ But the \$70,000 volume purchased by this one establishment is not conclusive. As we said in Labor Board v. Reliance Fuel Corp., 371 U.S. 224, 22 6: "Appropriate for judgment is [also] the fact that the immediate situation is representative of many others throughout the country, the t tal inddence of which if left unchecked may well become far-reaching in its harm to commerce." The evidence is that discrimination in restaurants was widespread, not confined to a single State or region but a nationwide problem. Senate Commerce Hearings, at _____. [Wilkins]. And MXKXMXMX distrimination in one restaurant in one city, viewed in light of the national scope of this problem, is not unrelated to discrimination in a distant city. Thus, while Congress & KKKKKKKKKKKK focussed on the individual restaurant's link to interstate commerce through the receipt of food that had passed in interstate channels, it was entirely appropriate that it judged the importance of this link as a part of a complex and interrelated national pattern. As our late Brother Jackson said for the Court in Wickard v. Filburn, 317 U.S. 111 [):

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